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**TWO HOUSE COMMITTEES TO HOLD JOINT HEARINGS ON
ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY ON U.S. SATELLITE LAUNCHES IN CHINA**

The House National Security and International Relations Committees will conduct two joint hearings on issues related to the export of U.S. space and missile-related technology to China and the impact of such transfers on U.S. national security on Wednesday and Thursday, June 17-18. Both hearings will be held in room 2118 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The purpose of the hearings is to receive testimony from senior government officials and government and non-governmental experts in satellite technology and U.S. export policies on:

- 1) the national security and nonproliferation implications of providing sensitive U.S. space and missile-related technologies to China;
- 2) the military utility of these technologies;
- 3) the impact of the transfer of satellite export licensing responsibility from the Department of State to the Department of Commerce on U.S. national security;
- 4) the rationale for sanctions waivers, including the 1998 waiver;
- 5) the role of Administration policy-makers in approving licensing decisions for the export of U.S. satellites to China; and
- 6) China's record of proliferation with respect to ballistic missiles and weapons of mass destruction.

Witnesses:

June 17 at 9:30am (Room 2118 Rayburn House Office Building)

Dr. Henry Sokolski, Executive Director, Nonproliferation Policy Education Center

Dr. Gary Milhollin, Director, Wisconsin Project on Nuclear Arms Control

Ms. Shirley A. Kan, Congressional Research Service

Additional witness to be determined.

June 18 at 10am (Room 2118 Rayburn House Office Building)

Honorable Walter Slocombe, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy

Accompanied by: Mr. David Tarbell, Director, Defense Technology Security Administration

Honorable John Holum, Acting Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs

Accompanied by: Mr. John Barker, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Export Controls

Honorable William Reinsch, Under Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration

Accompanied by: Honorable F. Amanda DeBusk, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Enforcement

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